

KING'S LIFE UNHAPPY

Peter Advised to Give Up His Throne to Save Life.

LISTENS TO RABID SERMON

Servian Monarch Forced to Hear Tirade Against Himself—Cathedral Crowded at Time Military Chaplain Preaches of Conditions in the Kingdom—Troops in Readiness.

Belgrade, May 9.—The regicides surrounding the King have frustrated his majesty's efforts toward conciliation of his subjects. When the premier, M. Paschich, resigned, owing to the resolute obstruction of business by the opposition, the King summoned the opposition leader, Dr. Stoyanovich, and had eight conferences with him in six days.

There is little doubt that the King would have agreed to let Dr. Stoyanovich form a cabinet and conduct the general election, fixed for May 21, but for the intervention of the regicides. They forced the King to place above everything else the safety of the ministers responsible for the murder in Belgrade jail of the anti-regicide and most popular leader, Capt. Navokovich. To save those ministers the King was compelled to retain M. Paschich in power.

M. Paschich, therefore, knowing that the opposition in the new Parliament will be at least as strong as in the old, yet undertakes a task which will bring him face to face with the necessity for a coup d'etat.

Papers Warn Him.
Meantime, the Belgrade newspapers, every one of which is laid daily on the King's table, cannot be very pleasant reading for his majesty. The Odyek warns him that he is personally responsible for all the certain violence and probable bloodshed in the forthcoming elections. The Zastava says that he is not governed by parliamentarism, but by parliamentary tricks.

The Pravda informs him that it is better to lose a crown by itself than lose a head with it. The Stampa tells him that somebody has got to pay for the Navokovich murder, and it is folly to continue to shield assassins. All these journals and many others are confiscated frequently, but the magistrates invariably quash the police decrees of confiscation.

The troops of Belgrade garrison have recently been confined to barracks and held in readiness for instant action.

Hears Himself Scolded.
King Peter was publicly condemned before a crowded congregation in the cathedral of Belgrade on the Servian Palm Sunday, which this year coincided with the Latin Easter. Lament was made in a powerful sermon for the Obrenovitch King and Queen murdered in June, 1903.

The preacher was Sabah Kasich, a military chaplain. The King and all the notabilities of the city were present, and the first words from the pulpit aroused at once admiration and consternation. "My conscience will not allow me," the preacher said, "to pass over the national importance of this date, so closely associated with the memory of the great Obrenovitch dynasty. Milosh the Great on Palm Sunday raised the flag of revolt against Moslem oppressors, who killed Michael the Martyr, on this day took peaceful possession of their last stronghold. His bones are in this church, an eternal reminder of what we owe. Shame on the miserable man who compassed the death of that patriot prince! Glory to the Obrenovitch rulers, glory!"

The congregation joined in enthusiastically, and King Peter, rigid, stared fixedly in front of him.

The sermon in presence of the Metropolitan, who was, of course, previously informed of its tendency, gives a double significance to the daring policy of the clergy. The preacher was congratulated in the sacristy by all the priests present, who thanked him for his independence and eloquence, and promised to stand by him in all eventualities.

MONSTER OCEAN LINERS.

White Star Company to Build Two Larger Than Any Cunard Afloat.

Belfast, May 9.—The White Star managers at Liverpool stated officially yesterday that two steamships, which will be the largest in the world, are to be built for the company at Belfast. The keels will be laid down within the next two months. The exact dimensions are meant to be kept secret, and although one will be called the Olympic, the name of the other has not yet been definitely fixed. Both turbines and reciprocating engines will be supplied, and a speed of not less than twenty-one knots guaranteed.

Information from Belfast states that the new vessels will be 840 feet long and 78 feet broad. This will make them about forty feet longer than the two largest existing Cunarders and give them an estimated tonnage of 45,000 to 50,000 gross. It is also stated that the name of the second vessel will be the Titanic.

SMUGGLERS CONFESS.

Customs Officials Involved in Plot to Cheat Government.

Paris, May 9.—Smuggling on a large scale, in which a number of customs-house officials are implicated, has been discovered at the Gare du Nord.

During the last six months \$400 worth of matches and tobacco have been smuggled every day from Belgium. The smugglers brought the goods in the expresses in trunks and boxes, and had arranged with accomplices to have them passed unopened.

Yesterday a number of police inspectors kept a special watch, and \$400 worth of tobacco, cigars, and matches were discovered in trunks. The police arrested three customs-house officials who were seen to be in league with the smugglers. A waiter and another man, who were also in league with them, were arrested and have made full confessions.

TOWER LEAVES POST JUNE 1.

Ambassador Will Hand Place Over to Dr. Hill.

Berlin, May 9.—Ambassador Tower will hand over his post to Dr. Hill June 1. Then he will be the Kaiser's guest at the Kiel regatta. A public banquet is to be given to Mr. Tower under the auspices of the American Association of Commerce and Trade, on May 30. There is not absolute unanimity among the members of the association as regards the propriety of the honor. But the opinion that Tower deserves it for his handling of the tariff has prevailed.

It is not intended to invite Dr. Hill to the banquet, though probably he will be in Berlin at the time and resident at the hotel where the banquet will be held.

Lord Durham Congratulates Croker.

London, May 9.—An incident which occurred after the victory of Richard Croker's filly Rhodora in the race for the One Thousand Guineas is being commented upon as "what may turn out to have been an act of reconciliation." Lord Durham, who is one of the stewards of the jockey club, went up to Mr. Croker and congratulated him.



Amir of Afghanistan's Soldiers

TOURISTS GET ADVICE

Polyglot Police Besieged by Anxious Inquirers.

FUNNY FOR THE SPECTATORS

M. Lepine's Experiment is Tried in Paris and Boulevard Idlers Are Enjoying the Sight—English Especially Aid the Natives in Making Life Miserable to Interpreters.

Paris, May 9.—Boulevard idlers are deriving a great deal of fun from M. Lepine's polyglot policemen. There are now twenty who are fully qualified interpreters in English, German, and Spanish, and about half a dozen of their number were on duty to-day on the great square fronting the Cafe de la Paix, where foreigners do mostly congregate. At one part of the day the Place de l'Opera must have borne some resemblance to the neighborhood of the Tower of Babel. The policemen-interpreters are still a novelty to the Parisians in search of some new attraction, so the crowd gathered around and gazed at them as if they were some strange form of biped. The hiding of their identity was impossible, for each wore a bright new badge on his arm, with the word "Interprete" written across it in the foreign language in which his wearer is fluent.

Running Fire of Questions.
By a running fire of questions in different English and equally shaky German, the crowd tested for itself the proficiency of the new interpreters, and at the same time severely tried the temper of the members of the polyglot brigade. Subjected to a merciless fire of criticism, the policemen tried to look as if they enjoyed the whole proceedings.

Native-born "tourists" from Montmartre and Batignolles quizzically demanded the whereabouts of "Ze bar American" and "Ze station of St. Lazare." The luckless "Ze" station of the tourists were on point duty, so they had to grin and bear it. When the English of one of the "tourists" gave out, there was always a fresh one to take his place. This comedy of heckling the polyglots proved an unqualified success from the point of view of the man in the street. Very soon each interpreter was surrounded by a crowd of forty or fifty wags. The footpaths became blocked, and the ordinary variety of policemen had to be called to the rescue in order to disperse the crowd surrounding their comrades of the arm bands.

One Interpreter Cornered.

One interpreter outside the Grand Hotel was fairly cornered. His specialty is German. An elderly woman—a genuine tourist—this time addressed him in Italian. At the sound of a tongue quite unfamiliar to him the poor policeman looked terribly confused. He shook his head in dismay, while the spectators laughed at his discomfort. But he was not to be beaten, so he passed the woman on to a colleague, who, in addition to priding himself on speaking English with a New York accent, happens to belong to the department of the Hautes Alpes, and boasts a nodding acquaintance with the language of the alps.

When they are no longer a novelty—which will be in about three days—these police interpreters will prove of great service to the hundreds of foreign-ers unable to speak French who daily throng the boulevards.

COUNTY PRIMARIES SET.

Montgomery County Democrats Will Elect May 23.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Boyd's, Md., May 9.—The Democratic central committee of Montgomery County, through Robert G. Hilton, chairman, has called for primary elections to be held throughout the thirteen districts in Montgomery County for Saturday, May 23, at 3 p. m., to select five delegates from each district to the county convention, to be held at Rockville, Tuesday, May 26, which convention will elect five delegates to the State convention at Baltimore; for Wednesday, June 3, to select delegates to nominate candidates for President and Vice President; also to send five delegates from Rockville to the Congressional convention at Oakland, Thursday, August 20.

The county committee for each district will call the primary meetings for the vote.

There is no aspirant in Montgomery County for nomination for Congress, and it has generally been stated that H. Dorey Etchison, a prominent member of the Frederick County bar, is in a receptive mood for the nomination. The name of John W. Young, of Allegany County, has also been heard frequently in this county.

The Angriest Visitor of All.

Paris, May 9.—Visitors at a Paris hotel were disagreeably surprised yesterday morning to find that the boots they had left outside their doors had been stolen by a burglar. Only one pair was left. On these was laid a paper with the words: "Not good enough for me."

Eliff Tower Surpassed.

Brussels, May 9.—M. Tournay, a Belgian engineer, has been commissioned by the committee for the international exhibition at Brussels in 1910 to erect a tower at Ixelles which will be much higher than the Eiffel Tower. The cost is estimated at \$240,000.

RACE FOR EMPEROR'S FAVOR

German in Motor Car Beats Adversary and Gets Concessions.

Berlin, May 9.—The story of a thrilling motor race across Abyssinia between German and English promoters to secure valuable concessions from the Emperor Menelik is told by Herr Arnold Holtz, the German commercial agent, who recently returned from Adis Abeba.

Herr Holtz states that he won the race, and that the Emperor Menelik has granted the following important concessions to the German syndicate which he has organized:

The sole right to run motor cars throughout Abyssinia.

Right to establish trading stations on motor tracks thirty miles apart.

Right to convey the mails.

Right to build a wireless telegraph plant.

Describing his journey, Herr Holtz says: "As, in my opinion, the economic development of the country depends on the construction of means of communication, I laid before Emperor Menelik two years ago a project for a motor-car service, but, through an abuse of confidence, the project got into English hands."

"In December, 1907, I left Europe with a motor car after I had formed a syndicate of Germans which was ready to support my plan of reaching the Abyssinian capital by that means. At Jibuti, however, I learned that the English were ahead of me. That was not pleasant, and still less pleasant were the articles in the English newspapers, which drew public attention to my German enterprise and warned the English to be on the alert."

"The English motor car, whose driver did not know the country, collapsed, whereas I accomplished the distance of about 275 miles in six days."

"Menelik was delighted at my success, and in a few weeks' time granted me most important concessions for the German syndicate."

"Everything that England had feared was accomplished, and, after an honorable fight, we have achieved a complete victory. Germans, however, have criticized me and the enterprise in leading German newspapers in an unjust and spiteful manner, and announced with glee that the government had nothing to do with my mission."

"Menelik, however, is most kindly disposed toward us Germans, because he knows our aims are purely commercial."

Herr Holtz recommends the German government not to neglect the opportunities in Abyssinia, and adds: "Until our colonies are productive the German merchant can profit largely from the Abyssinian market if he is supported by a government which, like that of England, is prepared to protect him in all circumstances."

The "Shuttle-kissing" Peril.

Liverpool, May 9.—Lancashire medical officers are calling attention to the danger of weavers in the cotton mills contracting infectious diseases from the practice known as "shuttle-kissing"—sucking the weft through the eye of the shuttle. Diphtheria, consumption, and many other diseases are spread by this custom.

EXHIBIT DOLL 2,000 YEARS OLD

Was Plaything of Some Egyptian Child Before Christian Era.

Other Curious Toys to Be Seen at Wonderful Charity Exhibition in London.

London, May 9.—A wonderful exhibition of toys of all nations and of all ages will be opened at the London Day Training College to-day by Lady Margaret Campbell.

It was the happy idea of Dr. Slaughter, of the Sociological Society, to bring together this classified collection of toys and games.

His chief object is to give parents some idea of the invaluable means of training which is offered in the use of suitable toys.

Not only ancient and modern toys and games are to be seen in the hall, but a series of pastimes suitable for children and youths and girls.

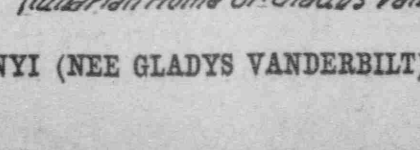
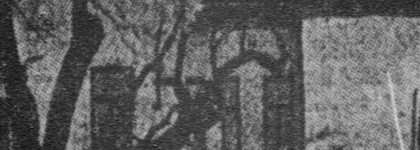
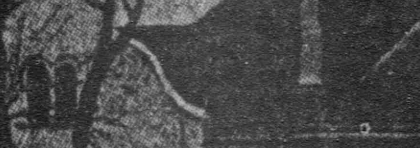
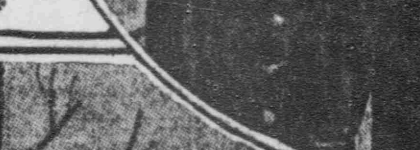
The oldest and most interesting doll in the collection is 2,000 years old, and once upon a time delighted an Egyptian child. "Knuckle-bones," the playthings of savage races, are a feature of the collection lent by Edward Lovett, of Croydon, who has also sent curious dolls of all nations. This is only a part of his Folk Museum collection.

There are dolls and toys from Lapland, Japan, the South Sea Islands, Holland, Spain, France, Germany, Russia, Africa, India, and North America.

The most disreputable doll is an early Victorian one which has been treasured by three generations. The face has disappeared under the influence of drosses. There is a Welsh doll 100 years old, and some particularly fierce-looking dolls, with saw-like backbones, from Rhodesia.

Toys made by the children of the poor and the children of the rich are shown side by side. One little girl has contrived to make a very presentable doll out of an egg and a paper bag, while a small boy

The Count and Countess of their Hungarian visit.



The Amir of Afghanistan

AMEER OF AFGHANISTAN AND HIS DEFEATED RAIDERS.
The attempt last week of the warlike Afghans to seize Khyber Pass, the "Gate into India," was repulsed by British troops under Maj. Gen. Sir James Willcocks. That the attempt was more than a mere sally of brigands was shown by the forces engaged, the Afghans numbering from 12,000 to 20,000, and the British commander has been much commended for defeating the expedition. In connection with the unrest in India, as shown by a recent plot to assassinate Lord Kitchener, the situation is causing much uneasiness in England.

has contributed a realistic-looking rooster fashioned out of a few corks and a feather or two.

Many toys have been made by the members of the Children's Happy Evenings Association, and the little cripples of the Guild of Brave Poor Things have turned out some very clever toys.

Among the Russian toys is a minute model of a monastic town, and there is a curious toy, representing the "Little Father," filled with smaller and smaller "fathers." The Eskimo toys consist of boats and cradles made of skin.

The Japanese dolls and games are works of art, and two footballs used by the nobles of the Mikado's court 200 years ago are shown by Mr. Cressdon.

COUNT UNDER ARREST.

Former Aid-de-camp of Italian King Accused of Forgery.

Paris, May 9.—Count and Countess Marchetti de Monte Strutto have been arrested by the police of Boulogne-sur-Mer and are now imprisoned in that town on a charge of being members of a band of forgers of French bank notes, one of whom, a man named Gouthier, was recently arrested at Marseilles.

The count is stated to have been an aid-de-camp to King Humbert of Italy. Considerable mystery surrounds the affair, and the many friends of the count and countess are protesting against their arrest.

As a matter of fact, Mr. Vanderbilt was not in Berlin at all. Only his wife (formerly Mrs. Rutherford, an Englishwoman) and her daughter, Miss Rutherford, together with her son by her first marriage, Mr. Sands, were here. The latter, a young Englishman of twenty-eight, has been whispering pointed out by hotel pages as the American Croesus. Many tables have been engaged at the hotel restaurant by Berliners who hoped for the opportunity of brushing shoulders with Mr. Vanderbilt, whose name inspires genuine awe in the German mind.

Font as Flower Pot.
Belfast, May 9.—An ancient font, removed years ago from St. James' parish church, Louth, has been discovered in use as a flower pot and replaced in the church.

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When places like St. Paul's or the Tower of London are reached the party descend from the car, find the necessary fees paid for them, and follow the indefatigable guide. No item of interest to Americans is missed, and the proud New Yorker may stand by the tomb, in St. Paul's, of Benjamin West, the only American who became president of the Royal Academy, and may hear with satisfaction that the electric lighting of the cathedral is the gift of J. Pierpont Morgan. Nor are such sights as Waldorf Astor's offices on the Thames embankment forgotten.

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MOTOR BUS IN LONDON.
American Conducts Extensive Tours Daily.

NEW YORKER AT THE HEAD.
"Seeing London" Cars, the Catchword of Movement. Same as in American Cities, is Painted on Vehicles—Points of Interest in the British Capital Are Visited.

London, May 9.—To show Londoners how interesting is their native city is the latest mission of the enterprising American. Yesterday was started a system by which we may all go "rubber-necking" under the best possible conditions, for a "rubber-neck," according to the New York press, is the sightseer who turns to and fro in every direction, gazing at places of interest.

The pioneer of the American sight-seeing party, W. E. Sebrer, has now come to England, and from Adam street, Strand, his "rubber-neck" motor cars will start daily on extensive tours of London. Each car, with its banked seats affording splendid views, holds from twenty-five to thirty-five persons. On the front seat, facing the passengers, stands a guide, who lectures through a megaphone on every spot or building of interest as it is passed.

New York's Star Guide.
"Seeing London," the catchword of the movement, is painted across the windows of the booking office and waiting-room in Adam street, Strand, and on the sides of the motor cars. These hold seats banked so that the "rubber-necks" may keep one eye on the passing show and another on the man with the megaphone. On the present occasion this man was Irving Hey, the "star" guide of New York, who has been in London three years, diligently cramming his subject, and now asserts he is able to show Londoners their own city. For his mission is as much to the stay-at-homes as to American and other tourists.

"All aboard!" shouted Hey in a strong American accent. Then he stood in the front of the car, faced the passengers, put the megaphone to his lips, and the tour began. Cabbies and "bus drivers" in the Strand stared and chafed, but nothing interrupted the steady flow of oratory. "On your right you have the Hotel Cecil, named after Lord Robert Cecil, and we are now passing the Savoy Hotel, named after the Savoy Palace. Now we are passing down Savoy street, and on your right you have the Savoy Chapel." Facts and dates followed, and when the Embankment was reached the voice through the megaphone told its length, breadth, and date of construction, and other facts till the London county council education offices were reached. These prompted information as to the number of schools, scholars, and teachers in London, and so in a whirl of figures the drive goes on.

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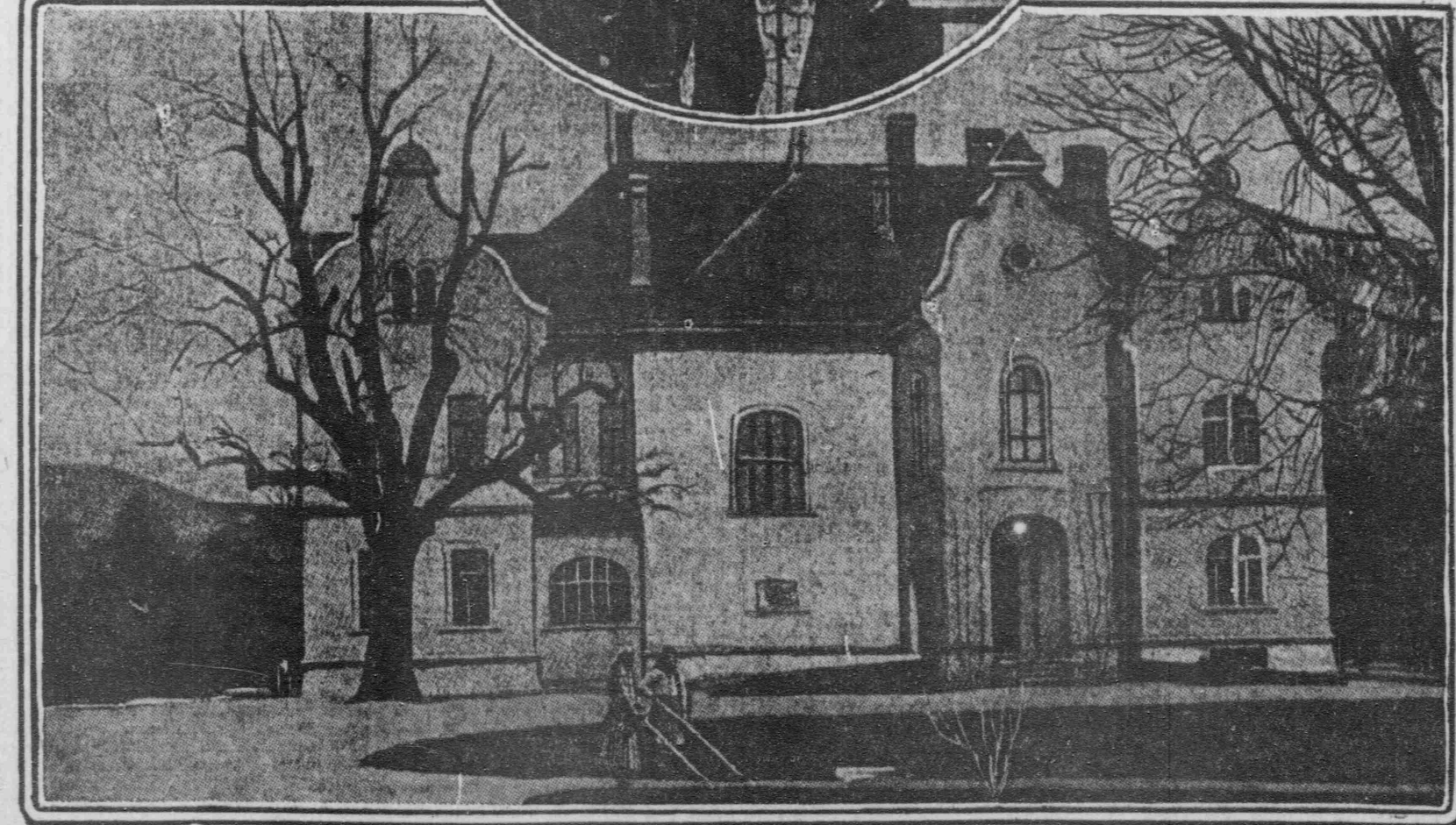
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